

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE

Report on FINGERPRINT COST ANALYSIS

Per MCL 28.273 Sec. 3 (2)
September 8, 2003

The Michigan Department of State Police, Criminal Justice Information Center has compiled a report on the actual cost of fingerprinting per the requirement of MCL 28.273 Sec. 3 (2). This requirement states: "The department of state police shall submit a written report to the secretary of the senate and the clerk of the house of representatives by October 1, 2003, stating whether the fee increase provided under the amendatory act that added this subsection is sufficient to support the actual costs of fingerprinting and what the actual costs of fingerprinting are."

The Criminal Justice Information Center has compiled the appropriate information on the actual cost of fingerprinting. The following is a breakdown of the costs:

Contributing Cost Factors	Budget/Cost	Cost per Fingerprint*
Salaries, Wages, & Benefits + Overtime (involved personnel)	\$ 1,410,575	\$ 16.97
Indirect Cost Rate (7.4%)	\$ 104,383	\$ 1.26
CSS&M (75% of Criminal History Section)	\$ 270,000	\$ 3.25
Maintenance (software, hardware, disk space, etc.)	\$ 542,000	\$ 6.52
Workstations	\$ 152,500	\$ 1.83
Actual Cost per Fingerprint	\$ 2,479,458	\$ 29.83

* The above cost per fingerprint is based on an average of 83,108 fingerprint cards per year, which is the average of calendar years 2000 through 2002.

The actual cost of fingerprinting as stated above is \$29.83, or approximately \$30 per fingerprint, which is the current charge. Based on the analysis, \$30 covers the costs related to the processing of a fingerprint.

The Michigan Department of State Police concludes that the \$30 fee is sufficient to support the actual cost of fingerprint processing.